owner acknowledges a debt, in a specific amount, and agrees to repay the amount due at specific time period(s).

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Subpart B—Recovery of Section 8 Funds

§ 792.201 Conduct of litigation.

The HA must obtain HUD approval before initiating litigation in which the HA is requesting HUD assistance or participation.

§ 792.202 HA retention of proceeds.

- (a) Where the HA is the principal party initiating or sustaining an action to recover amounts from tenants that are due as a result of fraud and abuse, the HA may retain, the greater of:
- (1) Fifty percent of the amount it actually collects from a judgment, litigation (including settlement of lawsuit) or an administrative repayment agreement pursuant to, or incorporating the requirements of, §882.216 or §887.405; or
- (2) Reasonable and necessary costs that the HA incurs related to the collection from a judgment, litigation (including settlement of lawsuit) or an administrative repayment agreement pursuant to, or incorporating the requirements of, §882.216 or §887.405. Reasonable and necessary costs include the costs of the investigation, legal fees and collection agency fees.

(b) If HUD incurs costs on behalf of the HA in obtaining the judgment, these costs must be deducted from the amount to be retained by the HA.

§ 792.203 Application of amounts recovered.

- (a) The HA may only use the amount of the recovery it is authorized to retain in support of the section 8 program in which the fraud occurred.
- (b) The remaining balance of the recovery proceeds (i.e., the portion of recovery the HA is not authorized to retain) must be applied as directed by HUD.

§ 792.204 Recordkeeping and reporting.

To permit HUD to audit amounts retained under this part, an HA must maintain all records required by HUD, including:

- (a) Amounts recovered on any judgment or repayment agreement;
- (b) The nature of the judgment or repayment agreement; and
- (c) The amount of the legal fees and expenses incurred in obtaining the judgment or repayment agreement and recovery.

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